

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
MASAMICHI EBATA) : Examiner: Chirag R. Patel
Application No.: 10/642,731) : Art Unit: 2141
Filed: August 19, 2003) : Conf. No.: 3791
For: INFORMATION PROCESSING)
APPARATUS CONNECTABLE TO :
PERIPHERAL DEVICE, CONTROLLING)
METHOD, AND COMPUTER-READABLE :
STORAGE MEDIUM STORING CONTROL)
PROGRAM THEREON : March 6, 2008

Mail Stop: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination being filed herewith, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner amend the above-identified application as follows. The amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning on page 2, and the Remarks begin on page 11.